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**PATENT**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
(Case No. 98,385-A)

In Re Application of: )

Hauptmann, et al. )

Serial No.: 08/484,312 )

Examiner: G. Draper

Filed: June 7, 1995 )

Art Unit: 1646

For: TNF RECEPTORS, TNF BINDING  
BINDING PROTEINS, AND DNAs  
CODING FOR THEM )

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 23, 1997**

Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

A Request under 37 1.129(a), a petition for a four-month extension of time, and the requisite fees were filed on December 21, 1998. An in-person interview was conducted with the Examiner on February 2, 1999 where it was agreed a response would be filed by March 1, 1999. Attached herewith is Exhibits A-E and a diskette containing a computer-readable copy of the sequence listing. The paper copy of the sequence (**Exhibit B**) added by amendment herein and the computer readable copy of the sequence listing on the diskette submitted herewith are identical, pursuant 37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.821(f). Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due; however, if this is in error the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to deduct any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A clean copy of the claims, as amended, is attached as **Exhibit A**.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Insert new pages 82-117 (attached as **Exhibit B**) representing the new Sequence

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